

**Poor Pochontas.**

In the recent and at times rather reckless rehabilitation of history nobody has more severely suffered than poor Pochontas, who long held a place in American history as the Princess who saved Captain John Smith from the wrath and club of her murderous old father, Powhatan.

But more than ten years ago and more than two hundred and fifty years after she was laid in her grave—at least two centuries after Pochontas had passed into primers, poetry and school histories as the savior of Smith—up turned an old Virginian record proving that the Princess was rather a disreputable young girl, who was more wonton than the playfulness of childhood would warrant and who used to run round the English settlement as economically costumed as if she were going to the opera or a ball or a dinner party in our degenerate days.

This was a severe blow to the Rollings, Randolphs, Flemings and other Virginian families priding themselves on their direct descent from Thomas Rolfe, only son of John Rolfe whom Pochontas married. But nowadays in Virginia or elsewhere in this country the "few first families" are as nothing in comparison with the many last families bloated by petroleum wells and watered stocks and inflated into an American aristocracy.

But Pochontas's private character is of no account in comparison with her public career, which is now knocked endwise by the recent alleged discovery that Capt. Smith's "True Relation" is wholly false—that his life never was endangered by Powhatan or saved by Pochontas.

The next rehabilitation in order is another mythical Mrs. Harris, and that "there never was no such person." But it will not do to attempt the obliteration of Capt. John Smith, two or three of whose descendants are positively known to be with us to-day.—New York World.

**Food of the Ancients.**

Julius Caesar records that the ancient Britons accounted it impious to eat geese, and Galen condemns the same savory bird as fit only to be put on a level with the ostrich. Shakespeare, in his "As You Like It," has the character of Father Christmas call the goose no better than the ostrich! Who would dream of eating an ostrich—that omnivorous bird which is said to be able to digest anything short of lace collars? We say lace collars, because that was the only item found in the stomach of a tame ostrich which mysteriously expired after a hearty meal of rusty nails and miscellaneous ceteras, among which happened to be some of the family washing of its proprietor. But Galen was no more than Aristotle, who commended the flesh of hawks; and, indeed, Galen himself recommended the flesh of foxes. He restricted the season, however, when they were busy feeding on the stolen grapes of the vineyards. Yet while Galen, along with Herodotus, considered the flesh of dogs most excellent, Galen, along with Pliny, repudiated horseflesh as utterly abominable. We have not come to eating horseflesh in this country, but in many parts of the continent it is exposed for sale as freely as beef and mutton, and that it is quite as palatable, the present writer can testify. Herodotus tells that in Persia not only was horseflesh eaten, but also that camels were roasted whole at times of great rejoicings, just as in our grandfather's time, whose oxen used to be roasted on special occasions.

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**Teaching Children.**

A glance backward at the so called "good old times" will soon convince the veriest pessimist that in the matter of the treatment of children the world has advanced rapidly of late. There was a time in the history of European civilization when the father had his power of life and death over his child, and there are still parts of the world where this idea is not extinct. There was a time, and it was not very long ago—scarcely a century when the only idea of the school was a place where a schoolmaster, armed with a rod or whip, forced unwilling youngsters to devour the contents of books with their eyes and regurgitate them from their month in vain repetition of words. This idea is not dead yet, because the old style of teacher is not dead yet; but it is dying, as dies the darkness of night, before the dawn of the idea that teaches that children must be taught to think, and that their weakness gives no man or woman the right to ill treat them.—Philadelphia Record.

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